



# DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND FOR Allegany County

Located at 123 S Liberty St, 2nd Floor, Cumberland, Maryland 21502-3005

Case No. D-121-CR-23-000710

STATE OF MARYLAND

VS.

EPIFANIO, JAVON VINSON

110 S. BROADWAY ST APT H  
FROSTBURG, MD 21532-0000

CC#: CI23-00149 Tracking No: 231001241833

Home phone: 410-412-6528 Cellphone: 410-412-6528

Charge | Statute | Arrest

CON-MURDER - FIRST DEGREE | CL |  
ASSAULT-FIRST DEGREE | CR 3 202 |

More charges on continuation page.

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MURDER - FIRST DEGREE | CR 2 201 |  
ASSAULT-FIRST DEGREE | CR 3 202 |

Date: 05/12/2023

## ARREST WARRANT

Warrant Control No. D230118383

STATE OF MARYLAND, Allegany County

TO ANY PEACE OFFICER:

An order of the court was entered on 05/12/2023, ordering the arrest of EPIFANIO, JAVON VINSON to be brought before this court for an Initial Appearance.

YOU ARE ORDERED to immediately arrest the above-named person who resides or may be located at:  
110 S. BROADWAY ST APT H, FROSTBURG, MD 215320000.

### IF THE DEFENDANT IS NOT IN CUSTODY FOR ANOTHER OFFENSE,

Initial appearance is to be held in county in which warrant was issued.

### YOU ARE FURTHER DIRECTED:

to immediately take this person before a judicial officer of the District Court; or if the warrant so specifies, before a judicial officer of the circuit court. An appearance by video satisfies the requirements of this directive.

to hold this person at \_\_\_\_\_ pending their appearance in the above-named court on the first sitting of the court following their apprehension.

IF THE DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY FOR ANOTHER OFFENSE, this warrant is to be lodged as a detainer for the continued detention of the defendant for the offense charged in the charging document. When the defendant is served with a copy of the charging document and warrant, the defendant shall be taken before a judicial officer of the district court; or if the warrant so specifies, before a judicial officer of the circuit court.

\_\_\_\_\_ Specify other directions as needed

LOCAL DETENTION CENTER, JAIL OR BOOKING FACILITY: YOU ARE ORDERED to:

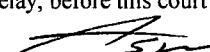
Receive from any officer the body of the above-named defendant who is COMMITTED TO YOUR CUSTODY.

Transfer the defendant to: \_\_\_\_\_

Facility Name and Address

The defendant, once transferred, shall be taken without unnecessary delay, before this court during the next session to answer these charges.

Date: 05/12/2023 Time: 6:33 PM

 A. SHIMKO C037 ID: C037

Judge/Commissioner/Clerk of the Circuit Court

COMMISSIONER

Description: Driver's License # E115376847572 MD Race: B Sex: M Ht: 6' 01" Wt: 240 Hair: BRO Eyes: BRO  
DOB: 07/20/2000 FBI # SID # 0005117924 SSN \_\_\_\_\_

Complexion \_\_\_\_\_ Tattoos, Marks, Scars \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Given to Law Enforcement Agency: CUMBERLAND POLICE DEPT C3I UNIT

### RETURN OF SERVICE

I certify that at \_\_\_\_\_ M on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
Time \_\_\_\_\_, Date \_\_\_\_\_, I executed this arrest warrant by arresting the person named above  
Place \_\_\_\_\_

and delivered a copy of the arrest warrant to them.

I left a copy of the warrant and charging document as a detainer for the continued detention of the person named above at: \_\_\_\_\_

Detention Facility

Address

Signature of Peace Officer

Title

Agency

Sub-Agency

ID Number

NOTE: Any part of a Social Security Number is Restricted Information per Md. Rule 16-915(e).

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COMPLAINANT:

Officer: SHIMER, DET  
Agency/Subagency: BD C31  
Officer ID: 0209

110 S. BROADWAY ST APT H  
FROSTBURG, MD 21532

CC#: CI23-00149      SID:      FBI#:  
LID:      DL#: E-115-376-847-572 MD  
Race: B    Sex: M    Ht: 6' 1"    Wt: 240    Hair: BRO   Eyes: BRO  
DOB: 07/20/2000    Home phone: 410-412-6528    Cellphone:

## STATEMENT OF CHARGES

UPON THE FACTS CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION OF Officer: SHIMER, DET IT IS FORMALLY CHARGED THAT EPIFANIO, JAVON VINSON at the dates, times and locations specified below:

NUM	CHG/CIT	STATUTE	PENALTY	DESCRIPTION OF THE CHARGE
001	1 0990	CR 2 201	0 L	MURDER - FIRST DEGREE On or About 05/07/2023 70 E COLLEGE AVE FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD ...did feloniously, willfully and with deliberately premeditated malice aforethought, kill and murder ALEXANDER REDONDO. Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.
002	1C0990	CL	0 L	CON-MURDER - FIRST DEGREE On or About 05/07/2023 70 E COLLEGE AVE FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD ...did conspire with DAIQUAN TYRONE RAYMOND GUY to feloniously, willfully and with deliberately premeditated malice aforethought, kill and murder ALEXANDER REDONDO. Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.
003	1 1420	CR 3 202	25 Y	ASSAULT-FIRST DEGREE On or About 05/07/2023 70 E COLLEGE AVE FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD ...did assault ALEXANDER REDONDO in the first degree in violation of CR 3- 202, contrary to the form of the act of the assembly in such case made and provided and against the peace, government and dignity of the state. Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.
004	1 1420	CR 3 202	25 Y	ASSAULT-FIRST DEGREE On or About 05/07/2023 70 E COLLEGE AVE FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD ...did assault LAILA LODGE in the first degree in violation of CR 3-202, contrary to the form of the act of the assembly in such case made and provided and against the peace, government and dignity of the state. Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.
005	1 1420	CR 3 202	25 Y	ASSAULT-FIRST DEGREE On or About 05/07/2023 70 E COLLEGE AVE FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD ...did assault OMOKEMI BALOGU in the first degree in violation of CR 3-202, contrary to the form of the act of the assembly in such case made and provided and against the peace, government and dignity of the state. Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.
006	1 1420	CR 3 202	25 Y	ASSAULT-FIRST DEGREE On or About 05/07/2023 70 E COLLEGE AVE FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD

Date : 05/12/2023 Time : 6:32 PM

Tracking No. 231001241833

Judicial Officer: \_\_\_\_\_

A.SHIMKO C037  
COMMISSIONER  
*[Signature]*

C037

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...did assault JADEN BROWN in the first degree in violation of CR 3-202, contrary to the form of the act of the assembly in such case made and provided and against the peace, government and dignity of the state.  
Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.

007	1 1420	CR 3 202	25 Y	ASSAULT-FIRST DEGREE On or About 05/07/2023 70 E COLLEGE AVE FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD ...did assault ZEPHANIAH BANKS in the first degree in violation of CR 3-202, contrary to the form of the act of the assembly in such case made and provided and against the peace, government and dignity of the state. Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.
008	1 1415	CR 3 203	10 Y &/or \$2,500.00	ASSAULT-SEC DEGREE On or About 05/07/2023 70 E COLLEGE AVE FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD ...did assault ALEXANDER REDONDO in the second degree in violation of CR 3-203, contrary to the form of the act of the assembly in such case made and provided and against the peace, government, and dignity of the state. Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.
009	1 1415	CR 3 203	10 Y &/or \$2,500.00	ASSAULT-SEC DEGREE On or About 05/07/2023 70 E COLLEGE AVE FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD ...did assault LAILA LODGE in the second degree in violation of CR 3-203, contrary to the form of the act of the assembly in such case made and provided and against the peace, government, and dignity of the state. Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.
010	1 1415	CR 3 203	10 Y &/or \$2,500.00	ASSAULT-SEC DEGREE On or About 05/07/2023 70 E COLLEGE AVE FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD ...did assault OMOKEMI BALOGU in the second degree in violation of CR 3-203, contrary to the form of the act of the assembly in such case made and provided and against the peace, government, and dignity of the state. Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.
011	1 1415	CR 3 203	10 Y &/or \$2,500.00	ASSAULT-SEC DEGREE On or About 05/07/2023 70 E COLLEGE AVE FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD ...did assault JADEN BROWN in the second degree in violation of CR 3-203, contrary to the form of the act of the assembly in such case made and provided and against the peace, government, and dignity of the state. Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.
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013	1 1425	CR 3 204 ((a)(1))	5 Y &/or \$5,000.00	RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT On or About 05/07/2023 70 E COLLEGE AVE

A.SHIMKO C037

COMMISSIONER

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Judicial Officer:

Date : 05/12/2023 Time : 6:32 PM

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**FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD**

...did recklessly engage in conduct, to wit: SHOOTING that created a substantial risk of death or serious physical injury to ALEXANDER REDONDO.

Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.

014 1 1425 CR 3 204 ((a)(1)) 5 Y &amp;/or \$5,000.00

**RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT**

On or About 05/07/2023

70 E COLLEGE AVE

**FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD**

...did recklessly engage in conduct, to wit: SHOOTING that created a substantial risk of death or serious physical injury to LAILA LODGE.

Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.

015 1 1425 CR 3 204 ((a)(1)) 5 Y &amp;/or \$5,000.00

**RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT**

On or About 05/07/2023

70 E COLLEGE AVE

**FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD**

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Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.

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**RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT**

On or About 05/07/2023

70 E COLLEGE AVE

**FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD**

...did recklessly engage in conduct, to wit: SHOOTING that created a substantial risk of death or serious physical injury to JADEN BROWN.

Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.

017 1 1425 CR 3 204 ((a)(1)) 5 Y &amp;/or \$5,000.00

**RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT**

On or About 05/07/2023

70 E COLLEGE AVE

**FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD**

...did recklessly engage in conduct, to wit: SHOOTING that created a substantial risk of death or serious physical injury to ZEPHANIAH BANKS.

Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.

018 2 0050 CR 10 201 ((c)(2)) 60 D &amp;/or \$500.00

**DISORDERLY CONDUCT**

On or About 05/07/2023

70 E COLLEGE AVE

**FROSTBURG, ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD**

...did wilfully act in a disorderly manner to the disturbance of the public peace.

Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.

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**COMPLAINANT**

Detective M. Shimer  
Printed Name  
20 Bedford Street  
Address  
Cumberland, MD 21502 301-777-1600  
City, State, Zip Telephone  
BD, C31, CI209  
Agency, Sub-agency, and I.D. # (Officer Only)

**DEFENDANT**

Javon Vinson Epifanio  
Printed Name  
110 S. Broadway Street, Apt. H  
Address  
Frostburg, MD 21532 410-412-6528  
City, State, Zip Telephone  
CC# CI2023-00149

DEFENDANT'S DESCRIPTION: Driver's License # E-115-376-847-572 MD Sex M Race B Ht 601 Wt 240  
Hair BRO Eyes BRO Complexion LIGHT Other DOB 07/20/2000 ID

**APPLICATION FOR STATEMENT OF CHARGES**

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(Include a statement of facts within your personal knowledge (what you saw or heard, what someone said to you, etc.) showing that there is probable cause to believe that a crime has been committed and that the defendant has committed it. Please see the "NOTICE TO APPLICANT FOR A CHARGING DOCUMENT" for further information.)

I, the undersigned, apply for a statement of charges and a summons or warrant which may lead to the arrest of the above named defendant because on or about 5/7/23 at 70 E. College Ave; Frostburg, MD 21532 Date Place , the above named defendant

See Attached....

(Continued on attached 5 pages) (DC-CR-001A)

I solemnly affirm under the penalties of perjury that the contents of this document are true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

5/12/2023  
Date

Officer's Signature

Detective M. Shimer

Printed Name

I have read or had read to me and I understand the notice on the back of this form.

Date

Applicant's Signature

Printed Name

Subscribed and sworn to before me 5/12/23 at 6:19

Date

Time

□ AM  PM SHIMKO C037  
COMMISSIONER

Judge/Commissioner

ID Number

I understand that a charging document will be issued and that I must appear for trial  on \_\_\_\_\_  
at \_\_\_\_\_,  when notified by the clerk, at the court location shown at the top of this form.  
Time \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature

 The applicant requests reasonable protection for safety of the alleged victim or the victim's family:

(Describe)

I have advised applicant of the right to request shielding.  The applicant declines shielding.  
 I declined to issue a charging document because of lack of probable cause.

5/12/23

Date

Commissioner

SHIMKO C037  
COMMISSIONER  
ID Number

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CASE NUMBER

DEFENDANT'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, M.I.)

Epifanio, Javon Vinson

**APPLICATION FOR STATEMENT OF CHARGES (CONTINUED)** Page 2 of 6

On 5/7/202 Officers responded to 70 E. College Avenue Frostburg, MD for a report of shots fired. Upon arrival, officers observed a large crowd gathered outside of the residence and in the area.

Officers were alerted to several individuals suffering from gunshot wounds.

Laila Lodge was located on the ground on E. College Avenue with multiple gunshot wounds to the lower body. Officers provided aid to Lodge. EMS was later contacted and Lodge was taken to UPMC Western Maryland for the treatment of the gunshot wounds.

Officers were alerted to a second gunshot victim who was lying in the grass area of the Center Street parking lot on Frostburg State University Campus. This victim was identified as Alexander Redondo. Officers observed a large amount of blood in the area and blood on the victim's stomach, neck, and face. Redondo was unresponsive upon officers' arrival. CPR was performed on Redondo by officers until EMS arrival. Officers cut the victim's clothing to try to locate the victim's wound. Officers located a wound to the chest of Redondo. Redondo was later transported to UPMC Western Maryland for treatment.

Officers secured the crime scene and requested investigators.

Investigators were dispatched to the scene and to UPMC Western Maryland. While responding to the scene it was learned that an additional victim was currently at Potomac Valley Hospital in Keyser, WV. An investigator was sent to that location as well. The victim was identified as the following:

Omokemi Balogu DOB 11/21/2001

Balogu presented to Potomac Valley with numerous gunshot wounds to the lower body.

Investigators at UPMC Western Maryland learned that Redondo was pronounced deceased a short time after arrival.

Investigators learned that Lodge was being prepared for surgery for injuries sustained from the gunshot wounds.

In addition, two other victims of gunshot wounds were later identified as the following:

Jaden Brown DOB 3/25/04

Zephaniah Banks DOB 3/4/1999

Brown presented at UPMC Western Maryland at a later time on 5/7/2023 with a lower body gunshot wound.

Banks did not receive medical attention. Banks indicated that he had a grazing wound from a gunshot on his upper body. This information was learned on 5/8/2023.

05/12/2023

Date

Detective M. Shimer CI209

Printed Name

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**APPLICATION FOR STATEMENT OF CHARGES (CONTINUED)** Page 3 of 6

Investigators began speaking with numerous individuals in the Frostburg, MD area and watching surveillance footage. Officers learned from witnesses who were at 70 E. College Avenue at the time of the shooting that a large party was occurring prior to the shooting. During the course of the evening Redondo was in the basement area of 70 E. College Avenue. While in the basement, Redondo alerted his friends to the fact that numerous masked black male individuals had come into the party. Redondo reported to his friends that he had problems with the males in the masks as they had an ongoing feud. A short time after the males in masks entered the basement area of the party, gunshots were fired.

Numerous witnesses indicated that one of the males described above in a mask was observed with a gun out while at the party. This person with the gun was in the basement of the home.

Several tips were called into the police department to include a tip that the same individuals in masks on Saturday night at the party were at a party at Edgewood Commons on Friday evening. Due to this contact was made with an employee of Frostburg State University, identified hereinafter as Confidential Source #1.

On May 8, 2023, an interview was conducted with CS#1.

CS#1 stated that on Friday, May 5, 2023, they were contacted by another employee of Edgewood Commons and advised of a party with loud music in a unit of the complex. CS#1 stated that the other employee advised that they initially made contact with the tenants of the unit, and was advised that the music would be turned down. CS#1 advised that the tenants did not lower the music, and they attempted to again make contact with the tenants. CS#1 advised that upon knocking on the door, they did not receive a response. CS#1 stated that they and the other Edgewood Commons employee, accompanied by their supervisor, returned to the unit and again attempted to make contact. CS#1 stated that the tenants again did not open the door, and that the supervisor "keyed in" to enter the unit, and announced their presence.

CS#1 stated that upon making entry, they observed 7-8 male subjects, and multiple female subjects inside the unit. CS#1 stated that the female subjects then exited the unit, and the male subjects were asked to provide identification, as alcoholic beverages were observed in the room. CS#1 stated that the male subjects failed to provide identification, as asked staff to "cut them a break" due to a Cinco De Mayo celebration.

CS#1 stated that 7 of the 8 male subjects were wearing ski masks at the time. CS#1 advised that some of the subjects had their faces covered by the masks, while others had the masks on their heads. CS#1 stated that all of the male subjects were wearing all black attire at the time. CS#1 advised that the subjects were then escorted from the property.

05/12/2023

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Applicant's Signature

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Epifanio, Javon Vinson**APPLICATION FOR STATEMENT OF CHARGES (CONTINUED)** Page 4 of 6

CS#1 was asked if they knew any of the male subjects. They responded that they did not know them, but advised that they recognized them at the party on Saturday night. CS#1 confirmed that they were referring to the party at 70 E. College Avenue. CS#1 stated that while at the party, two of the male subjects entered the party, acknowledging that they recognized them from the previous night. CS#1 stated that the two subjects exited the party, and returned moments later with approximately five other subjects. CS#1 stated that one of the subjects was staring at them, and as looked down they observed a handgun in the subject's hand near his pants. CS#1 was able to describe in detail the gun he observed and was able to describe that this individual was with the 7 others, all of whom he recognized from the night before at Edgewood Commons.

CS#1 recalled that as they left the party, they had to brush shoulders with the subjects, as they were standing in a line near the door. CS#1 advised that there was only one exit from the basement of the residence.

CS#1 stated that all of the male subjects were wearing all black, and were wearing the same ski masks from the previous incident at Edgewood Commons. CS#1 stated that all of the masks were black in color, and that one or two of them may have had a brand name on them in white lettering.

CS#1 reviewed the video footage from Edgewood Commons related to the incident on Friday, May 5. Upon reviewing the footage of the incident, CS#1 pointed out the eight individuals that were escorted from the housing complex, following the noise complaint on May 5. CS#1 stated that these individuals were definitely the same group that they observed at the incident at 70 E. College Avenue on Saturday, May 6, 2023.

The surveillance footage from Edgewood Commons was shown to multiple witnesses

The following individuals were identified as being at the party on Friday at Edgewood Commons and at the scene of the shooting Saturday evening by witnesses:

Daiquan Tyrone Guy, DOB: 12/14/2001  
Benjamin L Atyam, DOB: 12/16/2001  
Javon Vinson Epifanio, DOB: 07/20/2000

In addition to the identified individuals, there were an additional 5 young black males with the aforementioned both on Friday night at Edgewood Commons and at 70 E. College Avenue when the shooting occurred.

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Epifanio, Javon Vinson**APPLICATION FOR STATEMENT OF CHARGES (CONTINUED)** Page 5 of 6

Immediately after the 8 individuals are viewed leaving Edgewood Commons, two grey in color SUVs are observed leaving the parking lot in close proximity to each other.

Witnesses who are familiar with the victim and the suspects indicate that the masked men described above are in an ongoing feud with a group of people to include Redondo. Witnesses who were present at the time of the shooting advised that the group of masked men formed a semi-circle around Redondo just prior to shots being fired. One of the masked individuals at the party displayed a black in color semi-automatic handgun containing an extended magazine.

After reviewing surveillance footage from the night of the shooting the following was observed:

23:57:41- Grey SUV (vehicle 1)- traveling East on College Avenue passing University Drive  
23:57:44- Grey SUV (vehicle 2)- traveling East on College Avenue passing University Drive

23:58:25- Vehicle 1 on College Avenue passing Wood Street  
23:58:32- Vehicle2 on College Avenue passing Wood Street

23:58:34- headlights observed on Alley beside 70 E. College Avenue  
23:58:42- second set of headlights observed on Alley beside 70 E. College Avenue

Vehicle 1 and 2 are not observed on College Avenue driving toward Center Street at this time  
Vehicle 1 and2 are believed to have turned into the alley beside 70 E. College Ave

00:10:00- large amount of people observed running from the area of 70 East. College Avenue, which coincides with the time of the shooting according to witnesses

00:11:03- Vehicle 1 observed exiting the alley beside 70 East College Avenue onto College Avenue toward Center Street  
00:11:11- Vehicle 1 observed turning left onto Center Street from College Avenue  
00:11:29- vehicle 2 observed on College Avenue at University Drive continuing toward Broadway Street

The time frame in relation to vehicles is indicative of the fact that these individuals were involved with the shooting and immediately left the scene of the crime upon its completion.

Information later learned through MVA records that Benjamin Atyam operates a 2011 grey Ford Escape with Maryland registration 1EC2995. MVA records also confirmed Daiquan Guy has a 2003 grey Infinity FX45 with MD 5Z1502 registered to him. Both of these vehicles match the descriptions of the vehicles observed leaving both Edgewood Commons and 70 East College Avenue, following the shooting.

The vehicles owned by Guy and Atyam match the description of the vehicles leaving Edgewood Commons the night before.

05/12/2023

Date

  
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Witnesses who were present during the party at Edgewood Commons on Friday were able to confirm that Daiquan Guy, Benjamin Atyam and Javon Epifanio were present at the party and were asked to leave by an employee of Frostburg State. These same witnesses were able to review the surveillance footage from that night and were able to identify Guy, Atyam and Epifanio in the video.

Epifano and Guy are known associates of one another. During an investigation into a shooting in April 2022, it was discovered that Javon Epifanio, while accompanied by Daiquan Guy, discharged a firearm at the corner of College Avenue and Wood Street Frostburg, MD.

Based upon witness statements and surveillance video, the above named individual was with the same group of individuals Firday night and were again observed together Saturday at 70 East College Avenue at the time the shooting occurred. This individual acted with the previously named individuals to commit the murder of Alexander Rodano.

Due to the facts above, I respectfully request the following criminal charges:

\*\*MURDER-FIRST DEGREE\*\* (ADULT VICTIM) - CR 2-201 - CJIS: 1 0990

\*\*MURDER-FIRST DEGREE (Conspiracy)\*\* (ADULT VICTIM) - CR 2-201 - CJIS: 1 0990

All events occurred in Allegany County, Maryland.

Applicant's Signature

Detective M. Shimer CI209

Printed Name

TRACKING NUMBER

**NOTICE OF ADVICE OF RIGHT TO COUNSEL FOR ALL JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
TO THE PERSON CHARGED:**

1. This paper charges you with committing a crime.
2. If you have been arrested and remain in custody, you have the right to have a judicial officer decide whether you should be released from jail until your trial.
3. If you have been served with a citation or summons directing you to appear before a judicial officer for a preliminary inquiry at a date and time designated or within five days of service if no time is designated, a judicial officer will advise you of your rights, the charges against you, and penalties. The preliminary inquiry will be cancelled if a lawyer has entered an appearance to represent you.
4. You have the right to have a lawyer.
5. A lawyer can be helpful to you by:
  - (A) explaining the charges in this paper;
  - (B) telling you the possible penalties;
  - (C) explaining any potential collateral consequences of a conviction, including immigration consequences;
  - (D) helping you at trial;
  - (E) helping you protect your constitutional rights; and
  - (F) helping you to get a fair penalty if convicted.
6. Even if you plan to plead guilty, a lawyer can be helpful.
7. If you are eligible, the Public Defender or a court-appointed attorney will represent you at any initial appearance before a judicial officer and at any proceeding under Rule 4-216.2 to review an order of a District Court commissioner regarding pretrial release. If you want a lawyer for any further proceeding, including trial, but do not have the money to hire one, the Public Defender may provide a lawyer for you. To apply for Public Defender representation, contact a District Court commissioner.
8. If you want a lawyer but you cannot get one and the Public Defender will not provide one for you, contact the court clerk as soon as possible.
9. **DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE DATE OF YOUR TRIAL TO GET A LAWYER.** If you do not have a lawyer before the trial date, you may have to go to trial without one.

Contact information for District Court Commissioner's Offices can be found at:

<http://www.mdcourts.gov/district/directories/commissionermap.html>

If you require further information about qualifying for a Public Defender, call 1-833-453-9799.

**NOTICE TO DEFENDANT**

- 1. MUST APPEAR** - If the offense with which you are charged is a 'MUST APPEAR' offense, you may not waive trial but are required to appear in court when notified. Drivers who receive payable citations included with a "Must Appear" citation automatically will receive a trial date notice for all citations. PLEASE NOTE THAT FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.
- 2. PRESET FINE** - If ALL of your charges are marked "Payable", you must comply with one of the following within 30 days after receipt of the citation/summons.

**OPTION #1** - Pay the full amount of the preset fine for each violation.

**OPTION #2** - Request a waiver hearing regarding sentencing and disposition instead of trial - Plead Guilty With an Explanation. Do not send payment.

**OPTION #3** - Request a trial date, time, and place established by the District Court of Maryland by writ or trial notice. Do not send payment.

Please note that payment of the preset fine will result in conviction for the offense(s) charged being entered against you and the case being closed. Please note further that points will be assessed by MVA on your driving record after conviction of a violation of the Motor Vehicle Laws of this State. Failure to pay the preset fine or to appear at trial, after notice, will result in the suspension of your driving privileges by the Motor Vehicle Administration.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO PAY CITATIONS:**

Visit the MD Judiciary Website at [www.mdcourts.gov/district](http://www.mdcourts.gov/district) or call the Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System for trial dates, court locations, and directions.

**From all areas including out-of-state calls: 1-800-492-2656**  
**TTY users call Maryland RELAY: 711**

I have read or have had read to me the contents of the above notice and acknowledge receipt of a copy thereof.

Date

Defendant

Date

Judge/Commissioner

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

The attached papers charge you with committing a crime. Depending on the crime charged, a jail sentence could be imposed by the court if you are found guilty. You have a right to be represented at trial by a lawyer. ACT IMMEDIATELY to obtain a lawyer. If you cannot afford a lawyer, you may apply for the Public Defender through the District Court Commissioner who will determine if you are eligible for the Public Defender to represent you at trial. If you wait too long to retain the Public Defender or private counsel you can be made to stand trial without a lawyer. Applications are accepted at any District Court Commissioner's Office during operating hours. Please contact the office listed below for operating hours:

**District Court Commissioner Station for Allegany County**  
123 SOUTH LIBERTY STREET, 2ND FLOOR  
Cumberland, MD 21502-3045  
1-833-453-9799

You should bring the following papers to apply for the Public Defender's services:

1. Court charging documents/traffic tickets. (Statement of Charges/all documents issued to you by court).
2. Trial date notices from the court. (You may apply even if no trial date has been received.)
3. If you are employed:  
Written proof of salary, pay stubs, or other written verification of income for the last two pay periods.
4. If you are unemployed:  
Proof of public assistance, medical assistance, Social Security or  
Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or other assistance you are receiving.

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### **IMPORTANT**

IF THE COMMISSIONER DETERMINES THAT YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO BE REPRESENTED BY THE PUBLIC DEFENDER AT TRIAL, YOU WILL RECEIVE A FINAL QUALIFICATION IN WRITING.  
ONCE YOU HAVE RECEIVED THE FINAL QUALIFICATION, ALL QUESTIONS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE:

The address of the Public Defender is:

**30 NORTH MECHANIC STREET  
CUMBERLAND, MARYLAND 21502**

Their telephone number is: **301-777-2142**

The Office of the Public Defender is open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

I have read, or have had read to me, the contents of the above notice and acknowledge receipt of a copy thereof.

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DATE

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SIGNATURE OF DEFENDANT

**IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER ON THE TRIAL DATE, YOU MAY  
HAVE TO GO TO TRIAL WITHOUT THE ASSISTANCE OF A LAWYER.**



District Court for Allegany County

123 South Liberty Street

Cumberland, MD 21502

301-723-3100, ext. #2

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Defendant/ case number

Date of Service

This document confirms I have been advised that I am being charged with a FELONY that is not within the jurisdiction of the District Court; that I have the right to have a PRELIMINARY HEARING\* by a request made now, or within (10) days of service of this document, failure to make this request will result in a waiver of such hearing.

I REQUEST a Preliminary Hearing.

I WAIVE my right to a Preliminary Hearing

I DEFER election of a Preliminary Hearing. If I do not make the Court aware of my decision regarding a Preliminary Hearing, in writing, within ten days, it will act as an automatic waiver of my right to this hearing.

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Witness

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Defendant

**\*WHAT IS A PRELIMINARY HEARING?**

If you are charged with a FELONY, or any other crime which must be tried in the Circuit Court and you have not been indicted by the Grand Jury, you have the right to a preliminary hearing. If you want a preliminary hearing, you must request one with 10 days of your first appearance before the Commissioner, or within 10 days of being served with a criminal summons by the police.

A preliminary hearing is a proceeding held in the District Court to determine if there is PROBABLE CAUSE to believe you have committed the crime with which you are being charged. At a preliminary hearing, you do not testify or offer evidence, but you have the right to hear the evidence against you and to cross examine the State's witnesses.

If you waive your preliminary hearing, or if the hearing is held and the court finds probable cause, the State's Attorney must within 30 days file a charging document in the Circuit Court, nolle prosequi (not prosecute), or stet (indefinite postponement) in the District Court, or amend the charges so they may be tried in the District Court.

If the Court determines there is NOT probable cause, the Court may dismiss the charges.